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Securities and Exchange Commission
SEC Building, Mandaluyong City

Attention: **Director Vicente Graciano P. Felizmenio, Jr.**
Director, Markets and Securities Regulation Department

The Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc.
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5th Avenue corner 28th Street,
Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

Attention: **Ms. Janet A. Encarnacion**
Head, Disclosure Department

Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corporation
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Attention: **Ms. Vina Vanessa S. Salonga**
Head, Issuer Compliance and Disclosure Department

Mesdames/Gentlemen:

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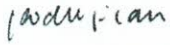
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We would like to confirm the statement made by AC Energy President John Eric Francia that they prefer to keep PHEN listed but depending on the minority shareholders' decision on the tender offer. We would also like to confirm that AC Energy is targeting second quarter to conduct mandatory tender offer for PHEN shares.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jose Teodoro K. Limcaoco".

JOSE TEODORO K. LIMCAOCO
Chief Finance Officer



Ayala Corporation AC

PSE Disclosure Form 4-13 - Clarification of News Reports *References: SRC Rule 17 (SEC Form 17-C) and Section 4.4 of the Revised Disclosure Rules*

Subject of the Disclosure

Clarification of news report titled, "AC Energy eyes Phinma Energy tender offer in Q2"

Source

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